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Five days since one John Pernmer, a gardener at Harlington, administered in potion a quantity of powdered helebore to the wife of one Robert Fisher, she being sick and ignorant of the effect of so great a quantity of helebore, whereof the woman is now dead, but the gardener not thought guilty of murder

iqth January OSTEND.

Since the furious assault of the Archduke Sir Francis Vere hath busied himself in fortifying and repairing the defences in Ostend, doubting lest the enemy should renew his attempt From Flanders it is reported that the Archduke had appointed to give a ne-v* assault upon the town with all his forces, and provided 2,000 armours of proof, but his soldiers have denied their service so that a mutiny is grown in his camp, 200 and odd already apprehended and some of the ringleaders executed

20th *January* THE SPANISH SURRENDER AT KINSALE

This night are there *feux de joye* for the good news come from Ireland Following upon the great victory over Tyrone on 24th December, the Lord Deputy began to press on with the approaches to Kinsale; but after some days' labour Don John D'Aquila, the captain of the Spanish forces within, offered a parley, which being granted, Sir William Godolphin was employed in the negotiation Hereupon Don John told Sir William that he found the Lord Deputy, although a sharp and powerful, yet an honourable enemy, and the Irish not only weak and barbarous, but as he feared perfidious friends He was therefore so far in his affections reconciled to the one and distasted with the other, and did invite the Lord Deputy to make

an overture of such composition so as they might
depart on
honourable terms, fitting such men of war as were
not by necessity enforced but willingly induced to disengage
themselves and
to relinquish a people by whom their King and
master had been
so notoriously abused, if not betrayed

Upon relation of these offers, after several
conferences had
been held, it was thought good by the Lord
Deputy and his
Council to proceed roundly to an agreement,
seeing how needful
it was to embrace this accord considering the
state of our army
almost utterly tired , how full of danger and
difficulty it was to